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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice of Incomplete Reply (NonProvisional) Filing Date Granted", mailed November 23, 2004, Applicant submits herewith yet another copy of the substitute specification.¹ On December 6, 2004, Applicant's representative contacted the U.S. Patent Office to determine the problem with the first substitute specification and was told that it included copy marks. The substitute specification submitted herewith has been printed on a laser printer and, therefore, is a clean copy of the specification with no copy marks. Thus, it is submitted that it is in full compliance with the regulations.

¹ On October 4, 2004, Applicant filed a substitute specification in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.52, 1.121(b)(3), and 1.125.

Applicant requests that the Notice of Incomplete Reply be withdrawn.

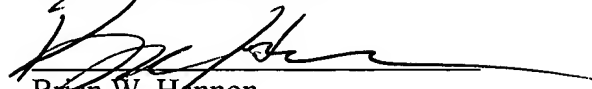
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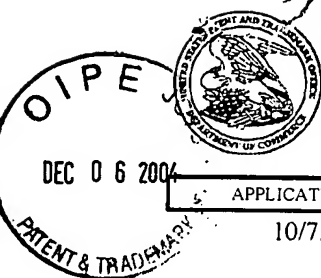
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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 10/04/2004 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 08/05/2004 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application. Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52, 1.121(b)(3), and 1.125, is required. The specification, claims, or abstract page(s) submitted is not acceptable and cannot be scanned or properly stored because:
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